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Paul GILSON et al.

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, between lines 3 and 5, insert the following new paragraph:

--This is a continuation-in-part of Application No. 09/188,472, filed November 9, 1998.--

REMARKS

The above amendment to the specification further clarifies that the instant application is a continuation-in-part application of pending Application No. 09/188,472.

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